



Cultural Arts Office  
**EDUCATION**  
City of Carlsbad

# Arts BRAG

MAY/JUNE 2010

## Mark your calendars!

Fun events coming up!

### Family Open Studios

Saturday, May 22, 2010  
Courtyard of the  
Carlsbad City Library complex  
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, 92011  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Free

Family Open Studios is a hands-on art-making event designed for all ages! First, you'll tour the *Tesoros Mexicanos: Mexican Treasures from Two Folk Art Collections* exhibition in the William D. Cannon Art Gallery. Then, an artist/educator will set you up with a specially designed art project related to the exhibition. We'll be creating whimsical masks, "trees of life," and tissue paper flowers while we watch Rancho Buena Vista High School's dance troupe perform ballet folklórico. Finally, you get to take your completed works of art home. All materials and workspace are provided. No reservations required and stay as long as you like!

### Family Open Studios at the Batiquitos Lagoon

Saturday, July 17, 2010  
Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center  
located off of Gabbiano Lane  
Carlsbad, 92009  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Free

The Cultural Arts Office is partnering up with the Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation to offer a fun-filled outdoor arts and nature event. To complement Batiquitos Lagoon's abundant natural beauty, an array of activities has been designed that engage the arts and the environment. Capture the gorgeous scenery in your own plein air painting, or try your hand at making musical instruments. See a performance on the Lagoon trail. Take the self-guided tour and have fun discovering hidden secrets on the scavenger hunt. And remember to head into the nature center to learn more about the lagoon world and nature's many wonders.

This event offers activities geared for all ages. All materials and workspace are provided. No reservations required and stay as long as you like!

### Family Open Studios Plus with Classics 4 Kids

Saturday, August 14, 2010  
Courtyard of the  
Carlsbad City Library complex  
and Schulman Auditorium  
1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, 92011  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Free

Join us on August 14 when Family Open Studios expands to include an appearance of the Classics 4 Kids' Jazz Ensemble with Music Director Dana Mambourg Zimbric. Why a jazz program? Because it's the 25th anniversary of the TGIF Jazz in the Parks concert series, and we're celebrating!

In the Cannon Art Gallery, you'll see some wonderful photographic portraits of some of the greatest names in jazz, like Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong and Ella Fitzgerald. In the courtyard, you'll be making some adventurous works of art. And in the Schulman Auditorium, you'll be singing, clapping, and moving to the rhythms of jazz. Yes, you! It's sure to be jazz-tastic!



Left  
Lion and Deer Carving  
Temalacasingo, Guerrero, 1976  
Collection Lawrence Kent  
Photography by Gary Conaughton



# What's going on...

## CARLSBAD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Aviara Oaks Middle School

The AOMS drama department finished its production of *Willy Wonka Junior* which was performed at the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Center in mid-March. In April, students were busy preparing for the Drama Teacher's Association of Southern California's Shakespeare Festival, held at Sherman Oaks CES School in Tarzana, California.

The AOMS orchestra earned unanimous superior ratings at the Southern California Band and Orchestra Festival at El Camino High School and drew raves for their performance at Disneyland at the Carnation Plaza in April.

The AOMS band ensembles are having the music from their annual Hollywood Nights concert set professionally into a cd. They are also preparing for the Music in the Parks Festival at Disneyland during the first week of May.

AOMS visual art students have been creating "character banners" that list the attributes of citizenship and represent different counties of the world.



### Hope Elementary School

#### Music Program

The fifth grade music students had a wonderful first concert in March. The strings and band performed many selections and past Hope students from Calavera Hills and Valley Middle Schools performed at the concert and talked about the importance of continuing with music in middle school. Our new drama class performed games and a class-created improvisation piece. On May 26 in the Calavera Hills Middle School gymnasium all the groups will perform a final Spring Concert.

Students in grades kindergarten through third have been using classic children's books like *In the Tall, Tall Grass*, *Alexander's, Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad, Day*, and *The Door Bell Rang* to reinforce rhythmic, speech, instrument and movement skills in a fun and creative way. The fourth graders have been playing recorders and singing classic gold miner favorites to prepare for their annual Gold Rush performance. And the fourth grade Joyful Bells Handbell/Chime group has been busy preparing for upcoming June concerts and their annual HOPE from Hope project. They also intend to visit another local university's music department.

Two special education classes at Hope get specialized music classes and the students have been improving in many ways. They enjoy moving to scarves, "washing" themselves with a sponge to *Splash, Splash* and using felt birds on the *Forrest Gump* Feather Theme. Many of them have grown in their ability to act out animals or play the drums.



The fifth grade drama class represented Hope at Carlsbad Educational Foundation's Lego-land Fundraiser, where students performed their original interpretation of a fun day at the beach.

#### Visual Art Program

Kindergarteners explored structure and pattern, using pipe cleaners and beads as their media. First graders have a better understanding of form versus shape after comparing their pipe cleaner shapes to their foam structure forms. Second graders learned about Henri Matisse and created work in his style; now they are learning about symmetry as they create a family of butterflies. Third graders are learning to sew by designing concentric shapes on a piece of burlap using yarn and needle. After learning about color value with shades and tints, fourth graders began decoupage small boxes with the color of their choice, being sure to include both shades and tints of their chosen color. Fifth graders worked on a papier-mâché project using recycled materials as their base. And students are making prints of their chosen famous American to display in the media center during the annual Wax Museum of Famous Americans.

### Jefferson Elementary School

Violin class at Jefferson Elementary is going strong thanks to a Community Arts Grant awarded by the City of Carlsbad's Cultural Arts Office. There are currently 17 students in the intermediate class and 30 students in the beginner class. Several members of Jefferson's Violin class have gone on to participate in orchestra class at Valley Middle School. Everyone is eager to play at the spring concert with the band as well as the Jefferson Multicultural



Far top left: Hope fifth grade musicians playing trombones at the winter concert. Left: Kelly School's Mrs. Mulvey's kindergarten class playing the rhythm sticks of their school with San Diego Ballet professionals like this ballerina from *The Firebird* courtesy of the San Diego Ballet.



Festival on May 15 with songs and dances performed by all classes.

Jefferson first grade students recently created an incredible mural called *Beach Trash: a Whale of a Problem*. This mural is 26ft long and 4½ft tall. It is a life size depiction of a gray whale, created all from trash collected at our beaches. The project was led by first grade teacher Arlene Gnade and artist Teresa Espaniola of Coronado. This wonderful artwork is now on display at Legoland.

Other events at Jefferson included a concert of our bands and strings classes on April 28. On May 1, the Guitar Club performs the song De Colores, along with streamer choreography at Legoland. Chorus and Guitar will give morning and evening concerts on May 27.

### Kelly Elementary School

At Kelly School there are many end-of-the-school-year exciting activities and events!

#### Music Program

Besides doing a spectacular job of teaching our district-adopted music program, Mrs. Donovan has been teaching our students to play unique instruments. Thanks to a grant from The Coastal Communities Concert Band, Kelly School has purchased 20 ukuleles for our music program. The Kelly Cougar Chorus has even incorporated their ukulele playing into their wonderful performances this year, and Ukulele classes are now offered by our after school program. Parish School is alive and busy bringing music and the performing arts to all of their students.

The fifth grade students received great "clues" about color value from their teacher, Mrs. Hoyle, and the Arts Attack Program that is used. Color value is the lightness and darkness of a color. The value was changed by adding white to it. The students used the well-known characters from the board game "Clue" to demonstrate their understanding of color value.

#### Visual Art Program

Kelly School is also very proud of the creation of Rosie's Reading Garden! The garden is extra special because it was designed by a former Kelly student, Chase Quatarone, who sadly passed away this year. Chase's Eagle Scout group is finishing the project for Chase and making him an honorary Eagle Scout. Kelly School students are using abstract art to create beautiful tiles which will be used to form a mural for the outside reading area. The mural will be of a picture that Chase created. The garden will also include a fenced in seating area and a personalized dog house for Rosie, our reading companion. This project has been made possible by the generous donations from the community and with the collaboration of the Carlsbad Unified School District. It is expected to be completed before the end of the school year.

Special thanks to Kelly School PTA for funding our school-wide art program and dance program (first and second grades).

### Pacific Rim

The big cultural event of the school year at Pacific Rim was the Ballet Assembly by San Diego Ballet Company. The program was presented for all students in grades 1 through 5. Prior to the Ballet Company's arrival on campus, an educational packet was sent out, a great resource for students and teachers alike. Then at the assembly, San Diego Ballet presented an extremely informed lecturer and several members of the ballet company. The docent explained the history and the origin of the art of ballet and the clothing worn. This was followed by his description of ballet movements and positions, demonstrated by the dancers. The program included quite a bit of audience participation and several members of the student audience even got up on stage to attempt some of the ballet movements themselves. The second half of the assembly presented excerpts from *The Nutcracker*, performed by the dancers in full costume and makeup. There were grand jetes, deep plies, side chasses, pirouettes, and lifts by the sugar plum fairy, the prince, the nutcracker, and the little girl Clara, with fabulous costumes and exquisite movements. Every member of the audience was encouraged to be respectful and was truly mesmerized. It is a highly recommended arts-in-education outreach program. The San Diego Ballet program was made possible in part by a Community Arts Grant from the City of Carlsbad's Cultural Arts Office and was presented by Friends of Pacific Rim Elementary.



Far lower left: Hope second graders explore different world instruments; during their music class; Above and Right: Pacific Rim students danced at



## From the **Field**

### Bringing It Home to Carlsbad

Our Arts-in-Education Advisory Committee continues to be your advocate for keeping and improving arts in our Carlsbad schools. We meet on a regular basis, sharing information on advocacy, grant and program opportunities. Our community committee will continue to gather information and seek to assist in any way with these advocacy efforts.

Special thanks to our March presenter, Brenda Crayk from Guitars in the Classroom.



### For more info about...

**Education Programs or Our Committee Meetings**  
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**Gallery Exhibition & Programs**  
760-602-2021

**Other Programs & Events Offered by the Cultural Arts Office**  
visit our website at [www.carlsbadca.gov/arts](http://www.carlsbadca.gov/arts)



Jefferson's finished *Beach Trash: a Whale of a Problem* mural.  
Photo taken by a parent,  
Peter Mead

## Mark your calendar!

Carlsbad Arts-in-Education  
Advisory Committee schedule

Thursday, October 14, 2010

Thursday, January 20, 2011

Thursday, March 17, 2011

3:30 to 5 p.m.

Gowland Meeting Room

Carlsbad City Library complex

1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, 92011

2010/11



Hope fifth grade drama students  
performing *A Normal Day at the Beach*,  
an original interpretation piece.